where a number of wild *Apis* bee species occur, and discussed her trials while traveling there to study the honey-producing and pollinating bees. The talk was received well.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Stuart H. McKamey, Recording Secretary

1030th Regular Meeting—June 11, 1998

The Annual Banquet of the Entomological Society of Washington (ESW), held jointly with the Entomological Society of Maryland (ESM), was held in the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences in Bethesda, MD, at 7:00 pm. There were approximately 100 members and guests from the two organizations. After a

social hour and delicious meal, the meeting began with introductory remarks by ESW president elect Michael Schauff, ESW president Warren Steiner, and ESM president Fred Paras. The rest of the meeting consisted of the presentation by Canadian TV personality John Acorn (his real name), host of The Nature Nut series. John entertained the audience with his anecdotes from the show's humble beginnings to its current globe-trotting themes, its hits and flops, and fan mail. About one third of his shows focus on insects. His presentation ended with some lively insect-related singing and ukulele playing.

Respectfully submitted, Stuart H. McKamey, Recording Secretary

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OBITUARY Nicholas A. Kormilev 1901–1998

Nicholas A. Kormilev, born January 29, 1901, in Yalta in the Crimea, died April 22, 1998, in St. Petersburg, Florida.

His early life, due to political unrest and wars and his father's varying military assignments, was rather unsettled. But in 1926 he graduated from the School of Agriculture at the University of Zagreb in Yugoslavia and published his first paper in 1929; in 1947 he moved to Argentina where he was employed by the Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales "Bernardino Rivadavia" and the Instituto Nacional de Investigacion de las Ciencias Naturales Museum: in 1957 he came to the United States and worked at an electric corporation in New York in quality control and production of silver-zinc batteries. He retired in 1968 but continued his studies of true bugs.

He published 232 papers containing proposals of nine family-group names, 105 genus-group names, and 1,182 species-group names.

Lists of his publications and proposed taxa can be found in (1) Froeschner, R.C. 1995, Nicholas A. Kormilev: A List of His Entomological Publications and Proposed Taxa. Proceedings of the Entomological Society of Washington, 97: 515–547, and in (2) Polhemus, J.T. 1996, An Overlooked Paper on Heteroptera by N. A. Kormilev. Proceedings of the Entomological Society of Washington, 98: 376.

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